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VIA FAX

TO: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Re: PROPOSED MICROSOFT SETTLEMENT  
(i.e., Tunney Act Review)

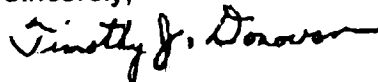
Gentleperson:

I recommend that the settlement between the Justice Department, Nine States and Microsoft be immediately approved, without reservation.

From the outset the lawsuit brought against Microsoft was politically motivated. The lawsuit wrecked the economy and triggered the worst recession in the history of the United States.

I believe the settlement is fair and just to all parties concerned. It is about time we stopped playing "politics" with the United States Economy and settle this lawsuit which will be a catalyst for a full recovery of our economy. Otherwise, you do not have to be a rocket scientist to conclude that if this settlement is rejected, it will trigger a deeper and broader recession.

Sincerely,



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